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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before taking action in the above-identified patent application,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, change "claims 1 to 3" to --claim 1--.

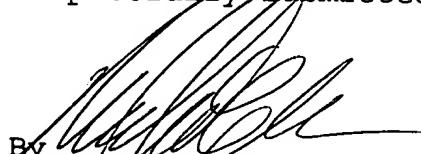
Claim 5, line 1, change "claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 2, change "any one of the claims 1 to 5" to
--claim 1--.

REMARKS

The claims are amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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